

La Peña Cultural Center
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La Peña Cultural Center

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Café Valparaíso at La Peña

Breakfast, lunch, and dinner

Wed - Thurs: 5:30pm-9:30pm

Fridays: 11am-10:30pm

Saturdays: 11am-10:30pm

Sundays: 11am-9:30pm

Phone/fax (510) 841-3800



* indicates that this program is a community rental and/or benefit and that La Peña discount cards are not valid. Programs subject to change. La Peña is wheelchair accessible.

Two-Month Calendar
See back for October 2009

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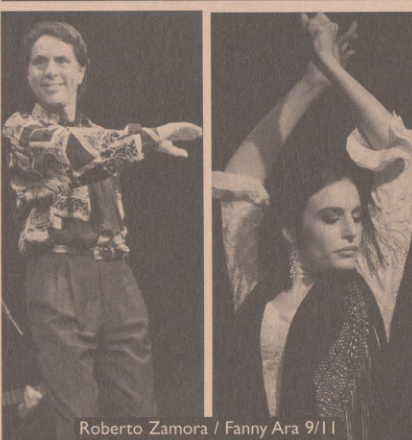
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Los Cojolites from Veracruz, Mexico 9/18



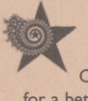
Guido Moscoso & Marcelo Ledesma 9/4



Roberto Zamora / Fanny Ara 9/11



NEW AT LA PEÑA **The Rebirth**
For street dancers
of all styles
Mondays 9-11 PM. (Starting August 24th). All levels are welcome. An open and inclusive environment for dancers of all levels to cypher, build community, & improvise with live musicians. Open freestyle practice sessions for street dancers of all styles including, House, B-boying/B-girling, Hip-Hop Proper, Popping, Waacking, Locking, and dances of the African Diaspora. Two resident DJ's will spin mostly deep soulful house & hip-hop. Each week there will be guest local MC's, vocalists, or percussionists.

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 SCIENCE CAFE 7PM FREE CINE CUBANO FILM FEST Memories of Underdevelopment <i>Memorias del Subdesarrollo</i> (Dir.Tomas Gutierrez Alea, 1968) Perhaps Gutierrez Alea's [Titón's] most famous work, the film traces the life and thoughts of a bourgeois Cuban intellectual during the period of time between the Bay of Pigs and the Cuban Missile Crisis. 7:30pm \$7-\$10 Sliding Scale	3 COMMUNITY BENEFIT Street Level Health Project Fundraiser Live music and dance from around the world. 8pm \$8-\$12 Sliding Scale* No one turned away for lack of funds	4 CONCERT La Gran Noche de la Música Argentina with Marcelo Ledesma From Buenos Aires, singer Marcelo Ledesma teams up with great maestros Guido "Ritmo" Moscoso and Jose Roberto Hernandez for an exquisite night of <i>Tango Ciudadano</i> and favorite folk rhythms such as <i>zambas</i> , <i>chacareras</i> , <i>bagualas</i> and <i>cachaimantas</i> . 8:30pm \$16 adv. \$18 dr.	5 CAFE VALPARAISO OPEN CHECK LA PEÑA'S WEB SITE FOR MORE INFORMATION AND UP-TO-THE-MINUTE PROGRAMMING WWW.LAPENA.ORG
6 CAFE RUMBA 3:30-6PM Come and join us for a night of poetry and song! Puerto Rican singer/songwriters José Saavedra and Grammy nominated Walter Morciglio join forces to present their new album <i>Conversos</i> , a collection of contemporary Puerto Rican Poetry put into song. 8pm \$8	9 CINE CUBANO FILM FEST La Ultima Cena <i>The Last Supper</i> (Dir.Tomas Gutierrez Alea, 1976) This film came out at the height of Cuba's internationalism in Africa. It's a story of a slave rebellion in Cuba in 1795. A heady combination of action film and comedy [or tragedy] of manners, this film maintains a powerful commitment to the idea that it is right to rebel. 7:30pm \$7-\$10 Sliding Scale	11 CHILE ART RECEPTION 6-8PM Sentimiento y Compás Flamenco is both feeling, emotions-Sentimiento and rhythms-Compás. Our performers have spent years in Spain. Featured performers are Roberto Zamora , Fanny Ara , Geof Hawkings and Eve Ma . 8:30pm \$12 adv. \$15 dr.	12 DJ DANCE Chilean artists living in the US Kolectivo 9/11 As Chilean artists living in the U.S., we remember the 9/11/73 coup d'etat in Chile and the 9/11/01 attack on the World Trade Center. We honor and support movements working towards a more socially equitable and sustainable future. Help us commemorate 9/11 and celebrate the future with a night of music and dance. 8pm \$5 donation
13 SUNDAY SALON 3-5PM MIND POWER COLLECTIVE Benefit for Tristan Anderson Music with Bay Area favorites Rebecca Riots (energized female folk trio), the Funky Nixons (danceable political rock) along with spoken word, art auction, and update on Tristan. 8pm \$5-\$20 Sliding Scale* (Proceeds benefit his recuperation costs)	15 TUESDAY Film Fundraiser Sugar An immigrant's tale of a Dominican baseball player's experience in the U.S. Caribbean treats on sale. Proceeds benefit the LP Chorus. 7:30pm \$5-\$10 Sliding Scale*	17 HIP HOP Live Hip Hop Jam Session Open mic with live hip hop band featuring Rico Pabon . Bring your instruments! Bring your flow!! 8:30pm \$5	19 DANCE & MUSIC CONCERT Chilean Independence Day with Grupo Araucaria Danzas y canciones tradicionales chilenas para celebrar el día de la Independencia. Araucaria presenta un recorrido por las distintas regiones folclóricas de Chile. Join Araucaria's dances of Chile in celebration of Chile's Independence Day. Araucaria will perform a selection of dances representing Chile's rich folklore. 8:30pm \$12
20 CAFE RUMBA 3:30-6PM Festival of Grassroots Alternatives  Other Worlds Are Possible Check out the possibilities for a better future! A first-ever festival of short films from around the world. Solidarity economies, innovative education, ecologies of justice and community, and much more! Discussion to follow. A benefit for Other Worlds. 6pm \$10-\$20 Sliding Scale*	23 CINE CUBANO FILM FEST Guantanamo (Dir.Tomas Gutierrez Alea & Juan Carlos Tobio, 1997) Titón's last film made in collaboration with Juan Carlos Tobio. It reveals, in a comic manner, the foibles of a Cuban bureaucrat in the time of the Special Period. The film was initially criticized by Fidel but later widely watched both in Cuba and outside of the island. 7:30pm \$7-\$10 Sliding Scale	24 VIVA KPFA! Free Speech Open Mic KPFA Sponsored Open Mic competition and KPFA Election Forum hosted by Joan Pez. All Ages - All night - Get your Voices Heard - Sing & Speak your Art. Top Open Mic Participants will be awarded prizes in the form of recording time & air play. 6:30pm Free	26 DANCE CONTEST & CONCERT So U Think U Can Dance 4 Jesus? Youth Scholars Network's Praise Dance Contest. Deadline to enter: Aug. 31. Contact Donna Means at (510) 499-8877. 4pm \$15 Adults \$10 Children Concert of Latin American classical music with Peruvian-American & Berkeley-ite composer Gabriela Lena Frank Featuring some of the best string players in the Bay Area. 8pm \$12 gen. \$10 students/seniors
27 MEXICAN TARDEADA IN THE CAFE FROM 3-6PM FREE The ReSisters in concert The ReSisters - Pat Wynne, Liliana Herrera, and Hali Hammer - present an evening of music, satire, solidarity, and three-part harmony. As their theme song says: "We are radical writers, ranting and rhyming, and raising hell." Cameos by Mrs T Bill Banks and Bernard Gilbert. 7:30pm \$10-\$15 Sliding Scale	30 CINE CUBANO FILM FEST Tropicola (Dir. Steve Fagin 1997) The film, improvised in many of its scenes, reveals Cuban in a variety of tints, from the mordant and comic to the melodramatic to a kind of post-Special Period socialist surrealism. A fine film about hard times on the island. 7:30pm \$7-\$10 Sliding Scale	 Araucaria 9/19 La Peña Wish List: Bass & piano amps, Mac laptop, Mac desktop G4, PC laptop with wireless capacity, Clean carpet with sealed edges, 10'X12' for the kids programs, Shure 58 & 57 mics • Rug shampooer.	 José Saavedra, Walter Morciglio 9/6

MONDAYS AND TUESDAYS MUSIC CLASSES WWW.LAPENA.ORG

La Peña's Free & Fee Classes

Fall session begins Monday September 14, 2009. For more information and a detailed description of all classes please visit www.lapena.org. Call (510) 849-2568 ext. 20, or email Sophia Sanchez at sophia@lapena.org, La Peña Class Coordinator.

Afro-Peruvian Youth Ensemble, Beginning Latin Percussion, Beginning/Intermediate Djembe, Beginning/Intermediate Latin American Guitar, Bomba Percussion & Dance Youth Workshop (Ages 7-11), Bomba, Afro-Puerto Rican Dance, Intermediate/Advanced Afro-Cuban Conga Class, La Peña Community Chorus, Latin Jazz Orchestra, Traditional Afro-Peruvian Cajon Classes, Truth Be Told: Writing workshop for Hip Hop emcees.

Sunday, September 13, 2009, 3-5pm Free
Mind Power Collective Sunday Salon Creative, Critical Inquiry for Social Justice in Schools & Community

Join local luminaries, educators, artists, cultural workers and activists in a dialogue around using creative, critical processes such as youth-led participatory action research, theater of the oppressed, arts integration, inquiry groups and peer learning circles to transform and empower our schools and communities. www.mindpowercollective.org

LA PEÑA'S EXPOSICIONES / EXHIBITS

In the Theater: Sept. 3 - Oct. 18. Original paintings by San Diego-based artist, **Mario Chacon**. His work strives to weave a balance of active decolonization, native spirituality, and Chicano street wisdom.

A powerfully humorous strand runs through the tapestry of Chacon's work.

In the Theater: Oct. 19 - Nov. 30. The artwork of Native American activist, political prisoner and nine-time Nobel Peace Prize nominee, **Leonard Peltier**. Curated by Bird Levy Strain.

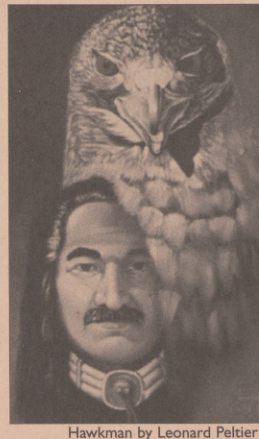
In the Lobby & Café: Sept. 3 - Oct. 31. Group show by **Kolectivo 9/11**. As Chilean artists living in the US, we keep the experiences of the 9/11s in Chile & the World Trade Center close to our hearts. Through our art, we denounce the global corrosion of civil liberties under a world wide US-led military corporate empire & bring attention to the historical significance & connections between the 2 9/11s.



La Ofrenda by Mario Chacon



Kolectivo 9/11



Hawkman by Leonard Peltier

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Trio Chaskinakuy 10/2



Lichi Fuentes 10/23



Anna Estrada 10/24



Mucho Axe 10/3

Did you know you can rent
La Peña Cultural Center?
Plan your community activity with us



Direct From Venezuela. A Contratiempo 10/2

SUNDAY

4 CAFE RUMBA 3:30PM -6PM

Make a difference through the arts!
Support La Peña!
During these tough economic times, individual contributions make a significant difference in La Peña's annual programming. If you can, please make a donation to support our plethora of art and educational events. **YOUR DONATION COUNTS!** Donate securely online at www.lapena.org

11 SUNDAY SALON 3-5PM
MIND POWER COLLECTIVE

ENDdependence Poets honor Indigenous Raza Day

headRush, Paul Flores, Cesar A. Cruz, Giggles, Marisol Rodriguez, AMEND, youth poets & more.
Fundraiser for the undocumented.
6pm \$3 HS Students,
\$5 college,
\$10 adults,
\$15 includes free book*

18 CAFE RUMBA 3:30PM -6PM

CONCERT Calle 49

This East Bay Latin jazz quartet features Ruthie Dineen, (keyboard, accordion), Dave Eagle (percussion), Matt Gallageher (drum set), and Brendan Neutra (bass).

8pm \$8

25 MEXICAN TARDEADA IN THE CAFE FROM 3-6PM FREE

Stand Up Comedy
"Out of my mind - Random thoughts on politics, money, technology, gender, and cars".
Stand-up routine performed by
Helen Hansel
A benefit for The Psychotherapy Institute (TPI) in Berkeley.

6:30pm
\$20 gen. \$10*
(students/interns)

WEDNESDAY

7 CAFE SCIENCE 7PM FREE

Suite Habana
(Dir. Fernando Perez, 2003)
A very unusual, somewhat staged documentary that traces the lives of some dozen Habaneros in the early 21st century. Beautiful cinematography, a lyrical redemptive tale of the intertwined lives of Habaneros under difficult conditions.
7:30pm \$7-\$10 Sliding scale

14 CAFEVALPARAISO OPEN

Did you know you can Rent La Peña Cultural Center?

Plan your community activity at La Peña. Priority is given to day time & non profit rentals. Call us at (510) 849-2568 ext. 13

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Stay Connected, La Peña's Social Media Village
Find out about recently added shows & programs. Learn about new trends in community arts. Tell us your comments and suggestions. Become our fan and stay connected. Check La Peña's Social Media Village at any of these two-way streets: New blog: <http://lapenablog.wordpress.com/> and/or look for La Peña at Facebook, YouTube & MySpace.

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ATTENTION STUDENTS

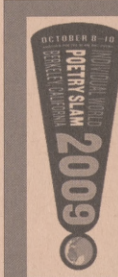
Want to do your part for Cultural Activism for Social Justice? Become a La Peña volunteer or intern today! Internships for school credit can also be arranged. Call Mariola at (510) 849-2568 ext.13 or email mariola@lapena.org

THURSDAY

1 CAFEVALPARAISO OPEN

Advance Ticket Information:
Advance sale tickets are available for a select number of programs. Tickets may be purchased online at www.lapena.org. Advance tickets **DO NOT** guarantee a seat. People with special needs should call (510) 849-2568 ext. 20. Please arrive 1/2 hour prior to show time.

8 SLAM POETRY



Thursdays 8 & Friday 9 Poetry Slam

Seventy-two of the world's top performance poets representing slam venues from around the globe electrifying audiences with their talents, converge at La Peña for a poetry Slam competition. Plus a fantastic array of free day events.
ANYONE can participate!
7pm \$15
Free daytime events and open mics in the café from 10am to 5pm, both Thursday and Friday.
<http://iwps.poetryslam.com/>

FRIDAY

2 CONCERT

An evening of Andean and Venezuelan harp traditions old & new.
Trio Chaskinakuy
Angel Tolosa & Ensemble
A Contratiempo
(From Venezuela)
Spotlighting wildly diverse harp traditions from the sierras to the llanos and celebrating the 20th anniversary of the Bay Area-wide Festival of Harps.
8:30pm \$13 adv. \$15 dr.

9 SLAM POETRY

SATURDAY

3 JERRY KENNEDY 10:30AM

Presenting their new album *Time is Art*
Mucho Axe
CD release party with special guests **TerroRitmo** from Oakland.
A beautiful night full of cumbia, salsa and South American world grooves. Staying strong with music and love.
9pm
\$10 gen. \$8 students w/ID

10 Juanita Ulloa 10:30am

BAILE/DANCE
Orquesta La Moderna Tradición
Danzón, cha-cha-cha, songo, and timba featuring one the S.F. Bay Area's favorite dance bands.
9:30pm \$12

17 ASHEBA 10:30AM

CONCERT
Arab Orchestra of San Francisco
The orchestra led by Saed Muhssin performs modern and traditional music from the Arab world.
8pm \$13 adv. \$15 dr.

24 BONNIE LOCKHART 10:30AM

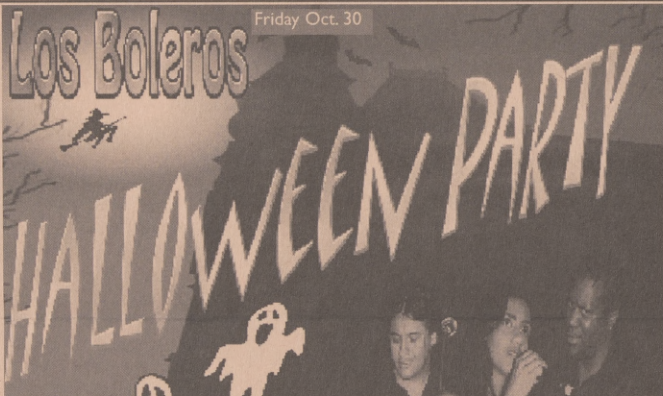
CD Release Concert
Anna Estrada
Nominated 2008 Best Latin Jazz Vocalist, releasing her 2nd CD, *Obsesión* (Obsession), Anna brings a mix of Latin, Brazilian, & American standards all done to grooves from the Americas, accompanied by some of the best jazz musicians in the Bay Area.
8pm \$12 adv. \$14 dr.

31 INGRID NOYES 10:30AM

CHECK LA PEÑA'S WEBSITE for more information and for up-to-the-minute programming www.lapena.org



Orquesta La Moderna Tradición 10/10



Friday Oct. 30

Los Amiguitos de La Peña
New season of Saturday Morning Children Shows!
Turn off that TV and enjoy a live performance with your children at our Saturday morning children's programs.
10:30AM • \$5 ADULTS, \$4 CHILDREN

Sat., Oct. 3: Jerry Kennedy performs soul and blues for the entire family.

Sat., Oct. 10: Juanita Ulloa returns to La Peña on tour from Texas to premiere her newest family CD of mariachi for kids-Canta Mi Son! (Sing my Song!). With Virginia Morgan & Carl Braves on violin and viola.



Sat., Oct. 17: Asheba celebrates the release of his "In the Kids Zone" CD, featuring music from his Trinidadian homeland.

Sat., Oct. 24: Bonnie Lockhart with Spiders, Bats, & Black Cats: Sing-Along Songs & Music Games for a Not-Very-Scary Halloween.

Sat., Oct. 31: Ingrid Noye's favorite holiday. Let's get spooky! Come hear some great Halloween songs and get in the mood for trick-or-treating. Warning -- may be slightly scary in parts!



ANNOUNCING THE WORLD'S FIRST EVER MARIACHI MUSIC CD DESIGNED FOR KIDS & FAMILIES:
CANTA MI SON!
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- Bass & piano amps • Mac laptop • Mac desktop G4
- PC laptop with wireless capacity • Clean carpet with sealed edges, 10'X12' for the kids programs
- Shure 58 & 57 mics • Rug shampooer

A NEW CD? A NEW BOOK? A VERY SPECIAL EVENT? ADVERTISE HERE!

IN OUR BIMONTHLY CALENDAR AND SUPPORT LA PEÑA

La Peña does not advertise big corporations but accepts announcements for your event.
Our calendar is known for being magnetized to the refrigerators of many many Bay Area homes!
For rates call (510)849-2568 x 15 or fena@lapena.org

Nearly New Congas for Sale! Price Reduced! (used only at the Monterey Jazz Festival)

LP Classic Model 11" Quinto	\$264.00
LP Classic Model 11 3/4" Conga	\$276.00
LP Classic Model 12 1/2" Tumbadora	\$284.00
Karl Perazzo Timbales (used)	\$120.00

Proceeds will support La Peña's arts education program.
To purchase and/or for more information, please contact Paul Chin at pchin@lapena.org or (510) 849-2568 ext. 17.

Making a Difference through the Arts!

Yes, I want to Support La Peña's 35th year of making a difference through the arts!

La Peña is a 501c non-profit organization and donations are tax-deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law.

- ☐ \$500 Padrino/Madrina – receive an **Annual Pass**, which gets you free admission to **ALL** La Peña events
- ☐ \$250 Victor Jara – receive 4 **Free Tickets** to any La Peña event
- ☐ \$100 Paul Robeson – receive 2 **Free Tickets** to any La Peña event
- ☐ \$50 Malvina Reynolds – receive 1 **Free Ticket** to any La Peña event
- ☐ \$35 Compañero/Compañera – You invest in La Peña and receive the calendar, newsletter, and mailings (only \$3 per month)
- ☐ \$25 Activista – Student, fixed income, low income membership with calendar, newsletter, and mailings (only \$2 per month)

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Sunday October 11 3-5pm Free

Mind Power Collective Sunday Salon Critical Hip Hop Pedagogy

Join local luminaries, educators, artists, cultural workers and activists in a dialogue around using Hip Hop culture as a vehicle for justice and equity in the classroom and beyond. Past luminaries on this topic include: Jeff Chang, Ren the Vinyl Archaeologist, Dr. Antwi Akom and Dr. Dawn Elissa-Fischer.

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